

CHIEF JUSTICE President Grant has appointed Attorney General Williams Chief Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court, to the surprise of the whole country.

THE Albany Argus thinks that even a cursory examination of the election returns will convince the most incredulous that New York is henceforth a Democratic State.

JEDRE SHREMAN, of Ohio, has resigned under a reservation under which the State is equivalent to a confession that he is unfit for the office.

BUT for Samuel J. Tilden, the Democratic leader in New York, Wm. M. Tweed would not have been convicted. The first credit for this great moral reform belongs to Mr. Tilden, who justly remarks the Sun.

THE Burlington (Iowa) Hawkeye, an independent sheet, confesses "if the congressional election were to take place at this time, there is scarcely a doubt that it would be carried by a Republican nominee."

EVERY man in Adams county who is entitled to the right of suffrage, should attend the election on the third Tuesday of December, and cast his ballot either for the new Constitution, as that which belongs to Mr. Tilden, or for the old one, after having first considered it carefully.

A MOTION was to have been argued in the Supreme Court at Philadelphia yesterday, for an injunction to restrain the Commissioners appointed by the State to hold the election, and the City Commissioners, from using the public money in conducting the election on the new Constitution.

ANOTHER terrible disaster at sea. The steamship Villa del Havre, which left New York November 15 for Havre, France, on the 16th inst., was wrecked on the coast of Ireland, and sunk shortly after. 226 of the passengers of the Villa del Havre lost their lives; only 57 of the passengers and crew were saved.

THE Marshall (Iowa) Times, a Republican Journal, says: The sceptre is passing from the hands of the old Congress to do something, and the people that it is working in their interest and thus retain the confidence that is fast waning, the day in which we march to battle and victory has forever passed and our star has forever set.

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THE New York World concludes "that, when Congress meets, there will be a great flurry but no declaration of war. The administration will be glad of the intelligent duties as it will castles in yielding to its demands; the calculation being that the Spanish matter will sooner make concessions than incur the certain loss of Cuba. A settlement by arbitration is as likely as any.

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It is confidently expected that all the prisoners captured on the Virginias and the have not been executed will be released in the near future, or rather handed over to the military authorities for such disposition as they may see proper to make.

THE LEGISLATURE.—Under the new Constitution the ratio for a State Senator would be one for every 10,000 of the State, (\$32,641), giving out to 70,439 inhabitants, and one Representative to 17,600. According to the Ledger, Senators would, therefore, be apportioned about as follows: Philadelphia, eight Senators; Allegheny, four; Lancaster, Luzerne and Schuylkill, four; Berks, Bucks, Chester, Crawford, Dauphin, Delaware and Lancaster, four; York, each one, and the remaining twenty Senators are to be apportioned among the other forty-nine counties of the State, by joining two or more counties to form single districts upon the basis of a ratio of 70,439 population.

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